GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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DPLPHIN MOBILE CELLULAR PHONE
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether MTNL`s Dolphin cellular phone will cut rates to make service cheaper than private cellular phone service;

(b) if so, the details in the this regard;

(c) whether the private cellular phone companies are providing much better service than MTNL; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the MTNL to adopt latest technology in cellular phone services?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a) &(b) MTNL`s Dolphin cellular phone service is at most affordable price vis-as-vis private cellular phone service.As such further cut in rates is not contemplated at present.

(c) &(d): No, Sir. The cellular mobile service provided by MTNL is comparable to that provided by any private cellular operator.